

SSB 6009 - H COMM AMD

By Committee on Health Care & Wellness

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1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the  
2 following:

3 "NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 70.129  
4 RCW to read as follows:

5 (1) A long-term care facility must fully disclose to residents the  
6 facility's policy on accepting medicaid as a payment source. The  
7 policy shall clearly state the circumstances under which the facility  
8 provides care for medicaid eligible residents and for residents who may  
9 later become eligible for medicaid.

10 (2) The policy under this section must be provided to residents  
11 orally and in writing prior to admission, in a language that the  
12 resident or the resident's representative understands. The written  
13 policy must be in type font no smaller than fourteen point and written  
14 on a page that is separate from other documents. The policy must be  
15 signed and dated by the resident or the resident's representative, if  
16 the resident lacks capacity. The facility must retain a copy of the  
17 disclosure. Current residents must receive a copy of the policy  
18 consistent with this section by the effective date of this act."

19 Correct the title.

EFFECT: Removes nursing facilities from the requirement to have  
a separate disclosure form describing its policy on accepting Medicaid  
as a payment source.

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